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For : Heat Pipe Wick with Structural Enhancement

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Introductory Comments

This application has been filed according to 35 U.S.C. Sec. 111. The application is a Divisional of U.S. Application Ser. No. 09/547,966 which is currently pending. At the time of filing, this application included a specification that is identical to the originally filed parent application specification and, hence, no new matter has been added. Preliminary to examination of this application, please amend the application as set forth in this paper.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper. **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.